

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT**

Revenue (Endts.III) Department - Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams - Regularisation of the services of (162) workers of M/s Sri Venkateswara TTD Forest workers welfare Society, Tirupati into Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams-Permission - Accorded - Orders - issued.

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REVENUE (ENDTS.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O. Ms. No. 663

**Dated:30.09.2022
Read:**

From the Executive Officer, Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams, Tirupati
letter No F1/53/DCF/TTD/TPT/2015 dated 26.01.2021.

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ORDER:

In reference read above, the Executive Officer, Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams has reported that due to intensive operations like watering, protection of the plantations, soil and moisture conservation works, fire protection, tending of natural forests, bio-diversity conservation, controlling/prevention of red sandal smuggling, wild life management, monitoring of eco sensitive zones, afforestation programmes, development of bio-aesthetic areas, supplying of fuel-wood to the TTD Forest wings, supply and management of Dwajasthambas, Vahana Thandlu to Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams Temples etc., the labour force is more or less engaged throughout the year. Hence due to increase in the forestry activity, additional forestry works were undertaken under the petty contract system as per the Forest Code of A.P. Forest Department. Under this system, the Forest Range Officer enters into an agreement with a petty contractor as per the provisions of A.P. Forest code and used to pay him after completion of the work.

2) The Executive Officer, Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams has further stated that Sri N. Eswara Reddy, S/o Venkatamuni Reddy and others M/s. Sri Venkateswara Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams Forest Workers Welfare Society, Tirupati filed a Writ Petition in the Hon'ble High Court praying for higher wages equivalent to the minimum time scale of pay applicable to class-IV. In this regard, in W.P.MP.No.29269 of 2017 in W.P.No.23660 of 2017 the Hon'ble High Court passed interim orders as prayed for. Later Hon'ble High Court in its order dated 10/8/2018 in I.A. No. 1 of 2017 W.V.M.P.No.4213 of 2017 in W.P.No.29269/2017 in W.P.No.23660 of 2017 has ordered that " the interim order granted earlier is made absolute ."

3) The Executive Officer, Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams, has further stated that, keeping in view of the orders of Hon'ble High Court the matter was placed before the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams Board and the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams Board it is resolution No.51, dated:23.10.2019 have resolved as follows:

"to accept the recommendations of the Finance Committee and extend Equivalent Minimum Time Scale (EMTS) to the Forest workers to the 162 socety workers engaged through Sri Venkateswara society and address Government for regularization of their services against the existing vacancies."

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4) The Executive Officer, Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams has further reported that Government enacted Act No.27/1998 by amending Sec (2) of The Andhra Pradesh (Regulation of Appointments to Public Services and Rationalization of Staff Pattern and Pay Structure) Act, 1994 as follows:-

"Provided that the services in any such body or society as specified in sub-clause (e), which is not receiving any funds or grants towards salaries of its employees from the State Government shall not be deemed to be 'Public Service' for the purpose of this Act".

5) The Executive Officer, Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams has also stated that the service rendered in Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams can't be deemed to be Public Service. Government in G.O. Ms. No. 1292 Revenue (Endts. III) Dept. dated 10.10.2007, have regularized (251) NMRs / Gardeners / Work Inspectors / Canteen Workers / Mazdoors / Volunteers etc in the existing available vacancies outside the purview of Act 2/1994 and clarified that bodies like Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams are excluded from the purview of Act 2 of 1994.

5) The Executive Officer, Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams has requested the Government to regularize the services of (162) workers of M/s. Sri Venkateswara Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams Forest Workers Welfare Society, Tirupati against the existing vacancies outside the purview of Act 2/1994 as per Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams Board resolution No 51 dated 23.10.2019.

6) Government after careful examination of the matter hereby permit the Executive Officer, Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams to regularize the services of (162) workers of M/s. Sri Venkateswara TTD Forest Workers Welfare Society, Tirupati against the existing vacancies outside the purview of Act 2/1994 as resolved by the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams Board in resolution No 51 dated 23.10.2019 as was done earlier in Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams vide G.O.Ms.No.1292, Revenue (Endowments.III) Department, Dated:10.10.2007.

7) The above orders have been issued with the concurrence of Finance (HR.I Plg. & Policy) Department vide their U.O.Note No.HROPDPP(REW)/6/2021, Dated:17.08.2021.

8) The Executive Officer, Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams, Tirupati shall take further action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

**Dr. M. HARI JAWAHARLAL
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC)**

To

The Executive officer, Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams , Tirupati

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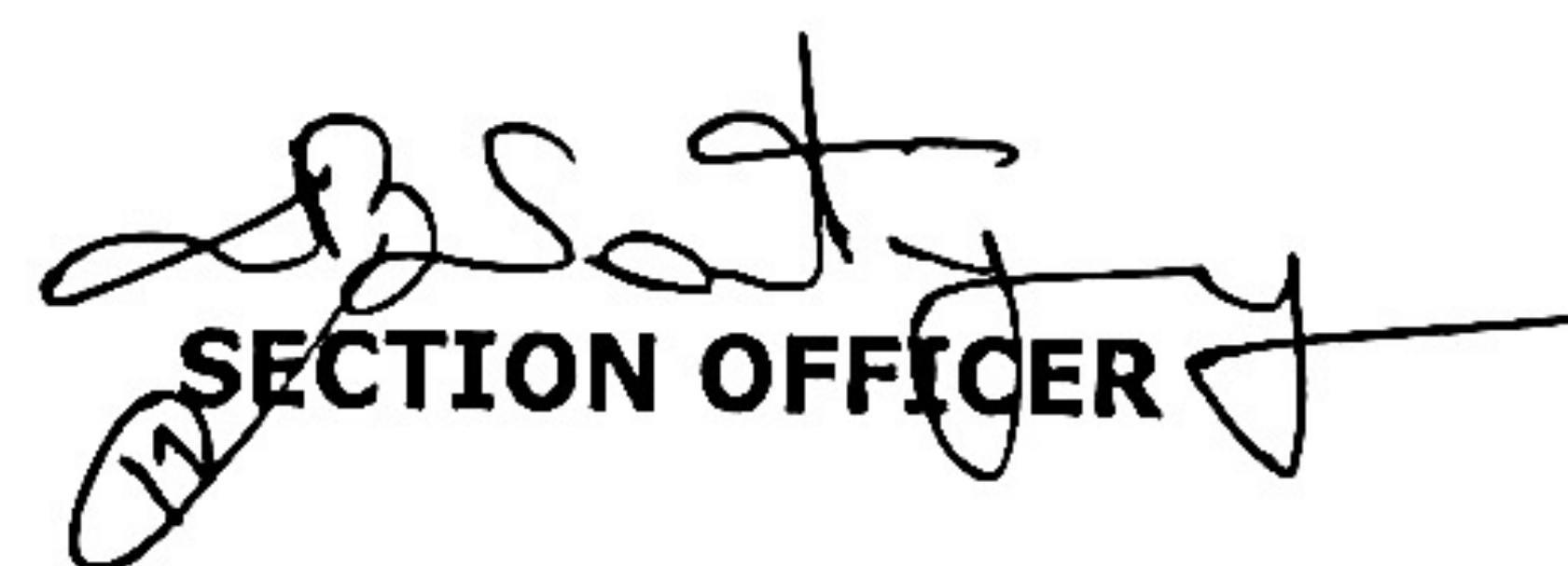
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